

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 15 Feb 2024 until 23:59 on Friday 16 Feb 2024

Forecast Issued on Thursday 15 Feb 2024 at 03:07 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Moderate for the timing and extent of rain on Thursday. High for the general story for the following days but lower confidence for timing of rain on Saturday.

Headline for Thursday 15 Feb 2024: Outbreaks of rain then becoming drier in afternoon. Breezy on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 15 Feb 2024

Blizzards No Likelihood	Heavy persistent snow No Likelihood	Storm force winds No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	Severe chill effect Low Likelihood	Poor visibility High Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	Heavy persistent rain Low Likelihood	Strong sunlight No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG	FOG
Heavy Rain	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog	Fog
Precipitation probability					
80%	70%	50%	30%	20%	20%

Forecast for Thursday 15 Feb 2024

Weather: A wet start to Thursday but the heavy rain will clear northwards early in the morning. Then cloudy with occasional rain or drizzle but becoming mainly dry during the afternoon with a little brightness possible. Mainly dry with clear spells and the odd shower in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, becoming 60% during evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud and fog above 500m in the morning leading to some navigation difficulties. Cloud slowly lifting and breaking in the afternoon but continuing to shroud most summits. Away from cloud, often poor in rain or drizzle, becoming good at times in the afternoon.

Forecast for Thursday 15 Feb 2024

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	25/31 SE	25/30 S	24/31 S	26/36 SW	22/30 SW	21/28 W	21/28 SW
900	19/22 S	22/26 S	21/26 S	23/28 SW	19/24 SW	20/25 SW	19/24 SW
600	6/8 W	6/7 SW	9/14 SW	13/17 SW	12/16 SW	12/18 SW	13/18 SW
300	2/3 N	2/4 W	3/10 SW	4/11 SW	5/14 SW	5/14 SW	5/14 SW
Glen	2/4 NE	2/8 S	5/17 SW	4/16 SW	3/15 SW	4/16 SW	3/15 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	1/-6	1/-6	1/-5	1/-6	0/-6	-0/-7	-0/-7
900	5/0	6/2	5/0	4/-1	4/-2	3/-2	3/-3
600	4/2	5/3	7/4	6/3	6/2	5/1	5/1
300	4/3	4/3	6/5	7/6	7/5	6/4	5/3
Glen	3/2	4/3	7/6	9/7	8/6	6/5	5/4
Freezing Level*	1800m	1900m	1900m	1700m	1500m	1400m	1300m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist’s View

A milder day at low levels but still feeling cold on the tops with a fresh breeze and low cloud.

Forecast for Friday 16 Feb 2024

Weather: Mainly cloudy with a few showers, wintry on the highest Munro tops. A few bright spells, mostly in the east

Maximum wind: West or Southwest 10 to 15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40%.

Low cloud and visibility: Areas of cloud and fog above 600m in the morning but lifting and breaking up during the afternoon. Away from low cloud, mainly good visibility, a few km at times in showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2C rising to 8 or 9C.
 At 800m: Plus 2C.
 Freezing level: Just above highest summits.